

President's Message December 2025

What a glorious fall we had this year. It has been

many years since I have seen the colors so vibrant with the trees and shrubs. Hopefully, many of you were able to catch up with your iris garden work for the year. I was able to complete half of my chores before the rains started. I am hoping for a good break in the weather this spring to finish the field transplanting.

Our next function is our annual holiday potluck at the Sandy Grange Hall. The club will provide ham, coffee, tea, and punch. Please bring a side dish to share, whether it's a hot or cold main, salad, or dessert. You will also need to bring your own plates, cups, and service ware. Set-up for lunch will begin at 11:30, with lunch serving starting at 12:00 noon.

Bingo, after lunch, we will play for the gift table. If you wish to take a gift home, please bring one yourself for the

Directions to Sandy Grange

From I-205 take exit 12 (Hwy 224/212) toward Mt. Hood/Estacada. Turn right on Hwy 26 (Mt. Hood/Sandy) for 2/10 mile then merge onto Mt Hood/Sandy 1.4 miles. Turn left onto Kelso Rd for 6/10 mile. Grange is on left.

From Gresham area follow Hwy 26 to Kelso Rd. as above.

From the West or South From I-5 take the Woodburn exit and go east on Hwy 211 approximately 29 miles to Estacada. Then left onto Hwy 211//224 for 5.4 miles. Turn right onto Hwy 211 for 3.9 miles to Sandy. In Sandy turn left to Bluff Rd. at the west end of town. Turn right onto Bluff for approximately 1 mile to Kelso Rd. Turn left on Kelso for 1 ½ miles. Grange is on the right.

Sandy Grange 34705 Kelso Road Boring, Oregon 97009

Don't forget to bring your Eating utensils, a Food Dish to Share and A gift for the Bingo gift exchange



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Holiday
Party
Meeting
December 13th,
2025
At
Sandy Grange

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December 13 – Holiday Party (Sandy Grange Hall)



exchange—one per person, priced around \$25.00. After that, we will play for the center place arrangements that Will and Lynn Plotner have graciously volunteered to furnish.

If you have not yet voted on your AIS Ballot for your favorite 25 irises (not just TBs, but any iris), please bring a list with you, and I will ensure that your list is registered with the proper person by January 31, 2026. This is something totally new for AIS. Let us make it work so that the general public can get an idea of the different kinds of irises that we recommend for the garden.

Chad





